

**Petition For Revival Of An Application For Patent Abandoned
Unintentionally Under 37 CFR 1.137(b) (Small Entity)**

Docket No.
(MM) 54 039

In Re Application Of: Kiener et al.

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Serial No.
09/746,732

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Invention:

**Process and apparatus for producing a laminate, comprising at least one polymer film with information and
at least one substrate, for further processing for forgery-proof documents**

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The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely and proper response to a notice or
action by the Patent and Trademark Office. The date of abandonment is the day after the expiration date of the
period set for reply in the Office notice or action plus any extension of time actually obtained.

APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION

NOTE: A grantable petition requires the following items:

- (1) Petition fee;
- (2) Reply and/or issue fee;
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee--required for all utility and plant applications
filed before June 8, 1995; and for all design applications; and
- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

1. ☒ A proposed reply to the above-identified Office Action:

☐ is enclosed. ☒ was filed on September 4, 2003

The proposed reply is in the form of: _____

2. ☐ The issue fee:

☐ is enclosed. ☐ was paid on _____

3. ☒ A small entity declaration:

☐ is enclosed. ☒ was filed on April 26, 2001

4. ☒ The abandoned application was a:

☐ design application. ☒ utility application. ☐ plant application.

5. ☐ A terminal disclaimer (and fee) disclaiming a period equivalent to the period of abandonment is enclosed.

6. ☒ Since this utility/plant application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.

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Calculation and Payment of Fees

Enclosed are the following fees:

7. ☒ Petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(m) in the amount of: \$665.00
8. ☐ Fee for amendment in the amount of: _____
9. ☐ Fee for extension of time to reply to Office Action in the amount of: _____
10. ☐ Issue fee in the amount of: _____
11. ☐ Continuing application filing fee in the amount of: _____
12. ☐ Terminal disclaimer fee in the amount of: _____
13. ☐ _____

Total fees enclosed: \$665.00

The fee of \$665 is to be paid as follows:

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- ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to
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Statement

The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional.

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Dated: January 5, 2004

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Petition Not to Apply a Restriction Requirement to the Claims Submitted in the Further
Amendment After Final Action Resubmitted in this RCE

Dear Examiner Goff:

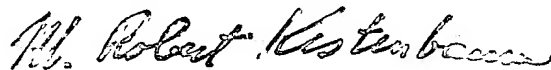
Restriction requirement was made on August 7, 2002 (paper number 7).

Restriction was required between claims 1-12 drawn to a process for producing a laminate and claims 13-22 drawn to an apparatus for producing a laminate. The reasons for the restriction requirement were that the process as claimed could be practiced by another materially different apparatus or by hand or the apparatus as claimed could be used to practice another and materially different process. In the Amendment After Final Action resubmitted in this RCE claim 1, which covers the process for producing the laminate is amended to recite that the laminate comprises at least one polymer film (17), at least one supporting film (23) on one side, and at least one substrate (18) on the other side of the polymer film (17). The at least one supporting film (23) on the other side of the at least one polymer film (17) is delaminated and the laminate (44) and at least one substrate (19) is laminated on the other side to the at least one polymer film (17) by an adhesive and subsequently exposed to a crosslinking-active UV radiation.

Claim 13 covers the apparatus for producing a laminate (16). The terms of the apparatus claims are substantially the same as the terms of the process claims. The apparatus claims are presented in process terms. Therefore the apparatus according to claim 13 is limited to the process according to claim 1 and visa versa. There is no possibility to perform the process by an apparatus different from claim 13.

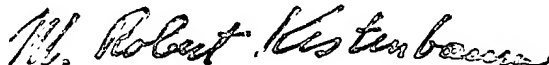
It is respectfully requested that the restriction requirement be withdrawn as to the claims in this application as currently amended.

Respectfully Submitted,



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